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H. R. 11356

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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AMENDMENTS

Intended to be proposed by Mr. JOHNSTON of South Carolina
(for himself, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. GREEN, Mr. SCOTT, and Mr.
WOFFORD) to the bill (H. R. 11356) to amend further
the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended, and for other
purposes, viz:

1 On page 51, strike out the double quotation marks at
2 the end of line 12.

3 On page 51, between lines 12 and 13, insert the fol-
4 lowing:

5 “(j) Section 22 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of
6 1933, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof
7 a new subsection as follows:

8 “(g) The import of cotton or products manufactured
9 therefrom into the United States in quantities in excess of

1 the annual average quantity of such commodity or of such
2 products, respectively, imported during the preceding three
3 calendar years whenever there is or is practically certain
4 to be a surplus of cotton in the United States, renders or
5 tends to render ineffective or materially interferes with
6 the agricultural programs or operations referred to in subsec-
7 tion (a) of this section or operations under the provisions of
8 the Soil Bank Act and will also reduce substantially the
9 quantity of products processed in the United States from cot-
10 ton or cotton products, and therefore establishes a condition
11 requiring emergency treatment in the form of quantitative
12 limitations as authorized under the provisions of this section.
13 The Secretary of Agriculture is, therefore, directed to deter-
14 mine and report to the President whenever there is or is
15 practically certain to be a surplus of cotton in the United
16 States and whenever such commodity or the products manu-
17 factured therefrom are being or are practically certain to
18 be imported into the United States in excess of the annual
19 average quantity of such commodity or of such products,
20 respectively, imported during the three preceding calendar
21 years. Upon such a report, there shall be imposed, under
22 the emergency authority of this section, such quantitative
23 limitations as may be necessary to remove such interfer-
24 ence and to prevent imports of cotton and the products
25 manufactured therefrom in excess of the annual average

1 quantity of such commodity or of such products, respectively,
2 imported during the preceding three calendar years. Such
3 limitations shall continue in effect pending report and recom-
4 mendations of the Tariff Commission and action thereon
5 by the President pursuant to the other provisions of this
6 section. A determination by the Secretary of Agriculture
7 under this subsection shall be made immediately upon the
8 enactment of this Act and thereafter between August 15
9 and October 15 of each subsequent calendar year.

10 “To assure to the maximum extent practicable equi-
11 table treatment among exporting countries and to prevent
12 undue concentration of imports of any article within any
13 tariff schedule or classification of product, the President is
14 authorized to establish reasonable classifications of cotton
15 and the products thereof on the basis of either their physical
16 qualities, value, use, grade, or upon such other bases as he
17 shall determine and to impose such further limitation by
18 classifications of cotton or cotton products as he determines
19 necessary to effectuate either of these objectives. Notwith-
20 standing any of the foregoing provisions, whenever any
21 cotton or classification thereof, or any such product is sub-
22 ject to quantitative import limitations under any other pro-
23 vision of this section, that cotton or that product, as the case
24 may be, shall not be subject to the provisions of this sub-
25 section.

1 “‘Nothing in this section shall be construed to affect
2 any right, privilege, or remedy provided under section 7 of
3 the Act of June 16, 1951, or under the other provisions of
4 this section.

5 “‘For the purposes of this subsection, cotton shall be
6 deemed to be in surplus in the United States whenever the
7 supply thereof is in excess of the normal supply thereof,
8 as defined in the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as
9 amended.’”

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